

Theory Reach of BigBOSS

*with comparison to JDEM-PS
and BigBOSS variations*

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**based on “Testing Standard Cosmology
with Large Scale Structure”**

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Galaxy 3D distribution or power spectrum contains information on:

- **Growth** - evolving amplitude
- **Matter/radiation density, H** - peak turnover
- **Distances** - Baryon acoustic oscillations
- **Growth rate** - redshift space distortions
- **Neutrino mass, non-Gaussianity, gravity, etc.**

BigBOSS: it's not a BAO survey, it's a Cosmic Structure survey.

Data, Data, Data



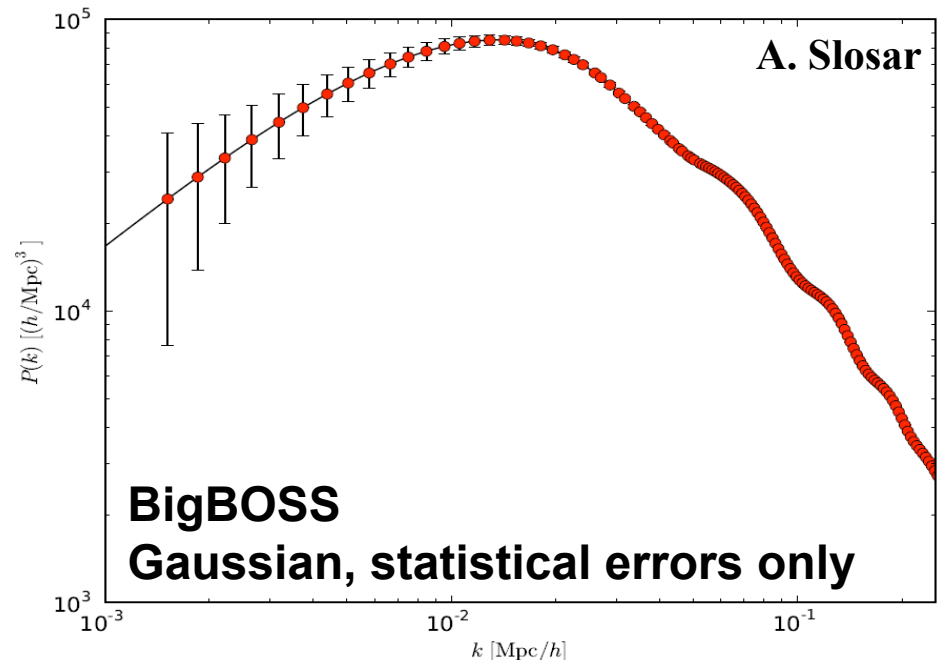
As wonderful as the CMB is, it's 2-dimensional.

The number of modes giving information is $l(l+1)$ or ~10 million.

BOSS (SDSS III) will map 400,000 linear modes.

BigBOSS will map 15 million linear modes.

Information increases as k^3 not l^2 . If we can understand beyond the linear regime...



Testing Cosmology with Structure



$$P(k, \mu) = (b + f\mu^2)^2 P_{\text{lin}}(k)$$

Galaxy bias $\delta_g = b \delta_m$

Growth $P_{\text{lin}}(k) = \left\langle \left(\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho} \right)_k^2 \right\rangle \sim D^2(a)$

Redshift anisotropy $\mu = k_{\parallel}/k$

Growth rate $f = \frac{d \ln D}{d \ln a} \sim \Omega_m(a)^\gamma$

Cosmological parameters affect $D(a)$, $\Omega_m(a)$

Gravity characterized by growth index γ .

$$D(a) \approx a \exp \left\{ \int_0^a d \ln a [\Omega_m(a)^\gamma - 1] \right\}$$

Testing Cosmology with Structure



The most growth occurs the latest, i.e. low z . The growth rate $f = \Omega_m(a)^\gamma$ also most sensitive at low z .

Can we do power spectrum (including BAO) measurements from the ground, rather than space?
How does BigBOSS stack up against “JDEM-PS”?

Must include main physics affecting growth:

γ - Gravity theory (test GR – $\gamma_{DE}=0.55-0.56$)

w_0, w_a - Dark energy effects on expansion history

m_ν - Neutrino mass (free stream/anticlustering)

Survey Comparison



BigBOSS	LRG ^a	EL
z range	0 – 1	1 – 2
Ω_{sky} (deg ²)	24000	24000
\bar{n} (h/Mpc) ³	3.4×10^{-4}	3.4×10^{-4}
b	1.7	0.8 – 1.2
R	≥ 2300	≥ 2300
JDEM-PS	LRG ^a	EL
z range	0 – 0.7	0.7 – 2
Ω_{sky} (deg ²)	10000	20000
\bar{n} (h/Mpc) ³	3.4×10^{-4}	19.5×10^{-4}
b	1.7	0.8 – 1.2
R	≈ 2000	≥ 200

galaxy redshift
survey

TABLE I: Survey specifications for the Stage IV experiments BigBOSS and JDEM-PS. ^aUses northern hemisphere (10000 deg²) LRG $z = 0 - 0.7$ from BOSS [25].

Does not include QSO part of BigBOSS.
Will later consider variations on baseline BigBOSS.

Multiple Probes



Multiple techniques are not just a good idea, they are essential.

Global correlation coefficient measures total degeneracy.

$$r_i = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{F_{ii} (F^{-1})_{ii}}}$$

$$r_{\text{BigBOSS}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9954 \\ 0.9943 \\ 0.9911 \\ 0.9933 \\ 0.9993 \\ 0.9893 \\ 0.9990 \\ 0.9997 \\ 0.9996 \end{pmatrix} ; \quad r_{\text{JDEM-PS}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.9970 \\ 0.9608 \\ 0.9960 \\ 0.9908 \\ 0.9994 \\ 0.9895 \\ 0.9988 \\ 0.9997 \\ 0.9996 \end{pmatrix}$$

TABLE IV: Vectors of the global correlation coefficients for the parameters $(\gamma, b_{LRG}, b_{EL}, \Omega_{DE}, \Omega_{\nu}, \omega_b, h, w_0, w_a)$ for BigBOSS and JDEM-PS.

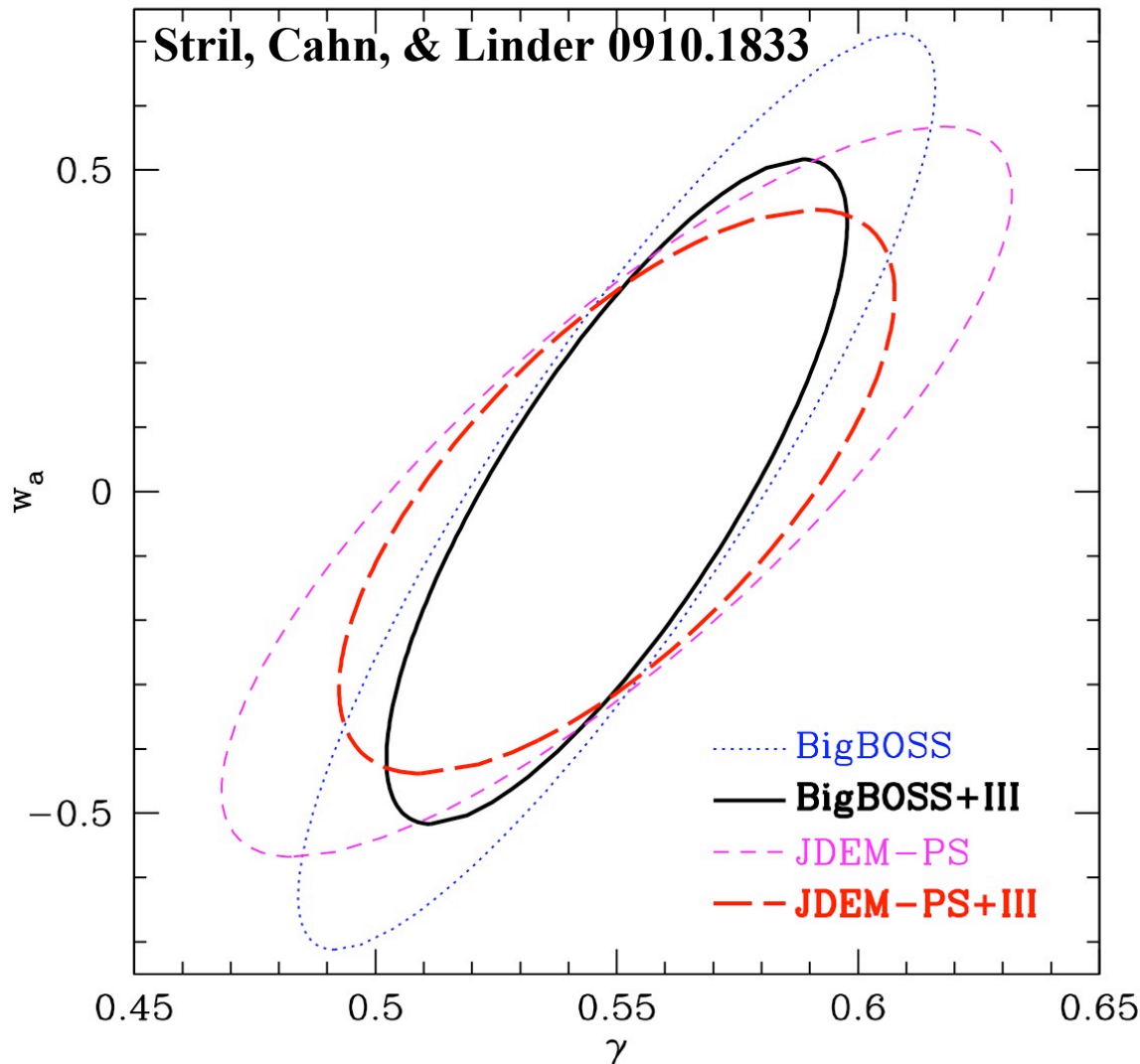
Strongest complementarity is with Supernovae, especially if fiducial is not Λ CDM.

9 parameter fit, Fisher matrix estimation.

Includes key parameters affecting growth.

1. $\gamma = 0.55$, gravitational growth index
2. b_{LRG} , the bias for LRG (see Table I)
3. b_{EL} , the bias for EL (see Table I)
4. $\Omega_{DE} = 0.744$, dark energy density today
5. $\Omega_\nu = 0.002$, massive neutrino energy density today
6. $\omega_b = \Omega_b h^2 = 0.0227$, reduced baryon energy density today
7. $h = H_0 / (100 \text{ km/s/Mpc}) = 0.719$, reduced Hubble constant
8. $w_0 = -0.99$, dark energy equation of state today
9. $w_a = 0$, dark energy equation of state time variation

Testing Standard Cosmology



9 parameter fit Stril!

BigBOSS can test GR

$$\gamma = 0.55 \pm 0.03$$

**Good complementarity
with SN, WL, CMB
on dark energy.**

As good as space!

**N.B. Ignoring neutrino mass overestimates constraint power
by a factor of 3-4.**

Ground vs. Space



As good as space!

BigBOSS is superior to JDEM-PS in testing gravity:

BigBOSS	JDEM-PS	BigBOSS+III	JDEM-PS+III
$\sigma(\gamma) = 0.043$	0.054	0.031	0.038

BigBOSS is superior/comparable to JDEM-PS in testing all dark cosmology:

**FOM Ground/Space
confidence contour
inverse-area ratio**

	BigBOSS/JDEM-PS	BigBOSS+III/JDEM-PS+III
$\gamma, \Omega_{\text{DE}}$	0.93	0.99
γ, w_0	1.16	1.20
γ, w_a	1.21	1.23
w_0, w_a	0.88	0.86

Nonlinear Regime



Remember the k^3 advantage in number of modes.
We need to understand beyond the nonlinear power spectrum.

For BAO aspects, see Padmanabhan & White 0906.1198, Seo et al. 0910.5005

Nonlinearities affect redshift anisotropies $(b+f\mu^2)^2$
factor from large scale velocities, and damping
factor from small scale anisotropies.

	Case	BigBOSS	JDEM-PS
Cutoff: $P_{nl}(k, \mu) = P(k, \mu) \Theta(k_+ - k)$	Cutoff	0.043	0.054
Gaussian: $P_{nl}(k, \mu) = P(k, \mu) e^{-(k/k_+)^2 \mu^2}$	Gaussian	0.024	0.026
Lorentzian: $P_{nl}(k, \mu) = \frac{P(k, \mu)}{1 + (k/k_+)^2 \mu^2}$	Lorentzian	0.019	0.021

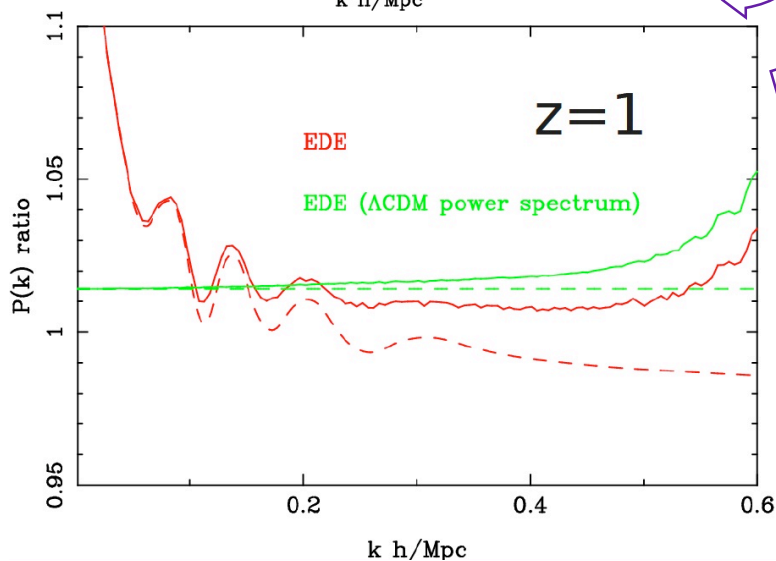
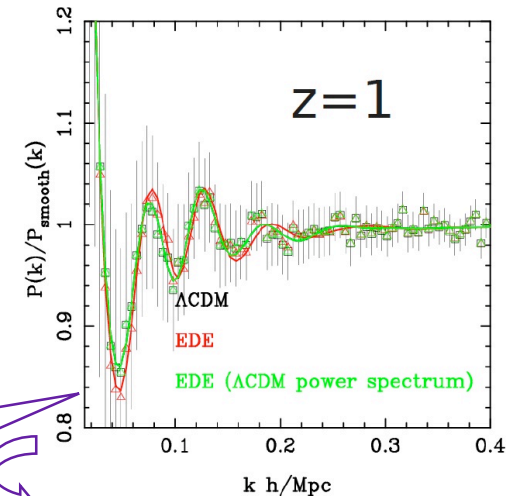
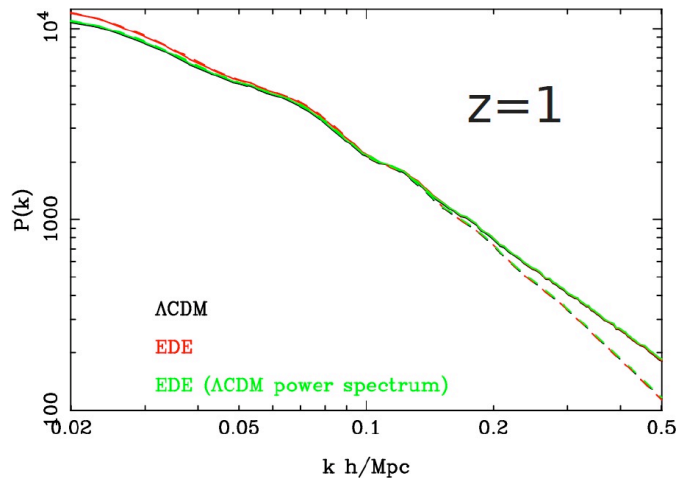
$\sigma(\gamma)$

Nonlinear Regime, non- Λ CDM



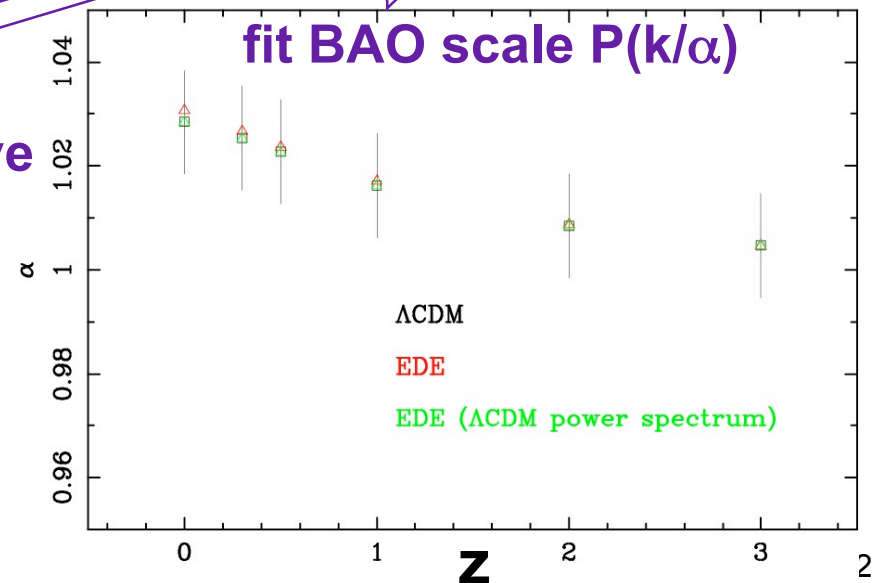
Matt Francis studied BAO scale and P_k in Early DE models with N-body simulations.

Nonlinear (translinear) scales remarkably insensitive to EDE.



ratio

BAO: remove smooth fit



fit BAO scale $P(k/\alpha)$

Redshift Range



Since $D(a)$, $f=\Omega_m(a)^\gamma$ strengthen at lower redshift, consider **BigBOSS variation**: emission line galaxy sample at $z=0.7-1.7$ rather than $z=1-2$.

This would reduce technical complexity (NIR detectors) and line confusion.

Result: No harm, and even $\sim 10\%$ improvement in cosmology estimation (γ, w_0, w_a).

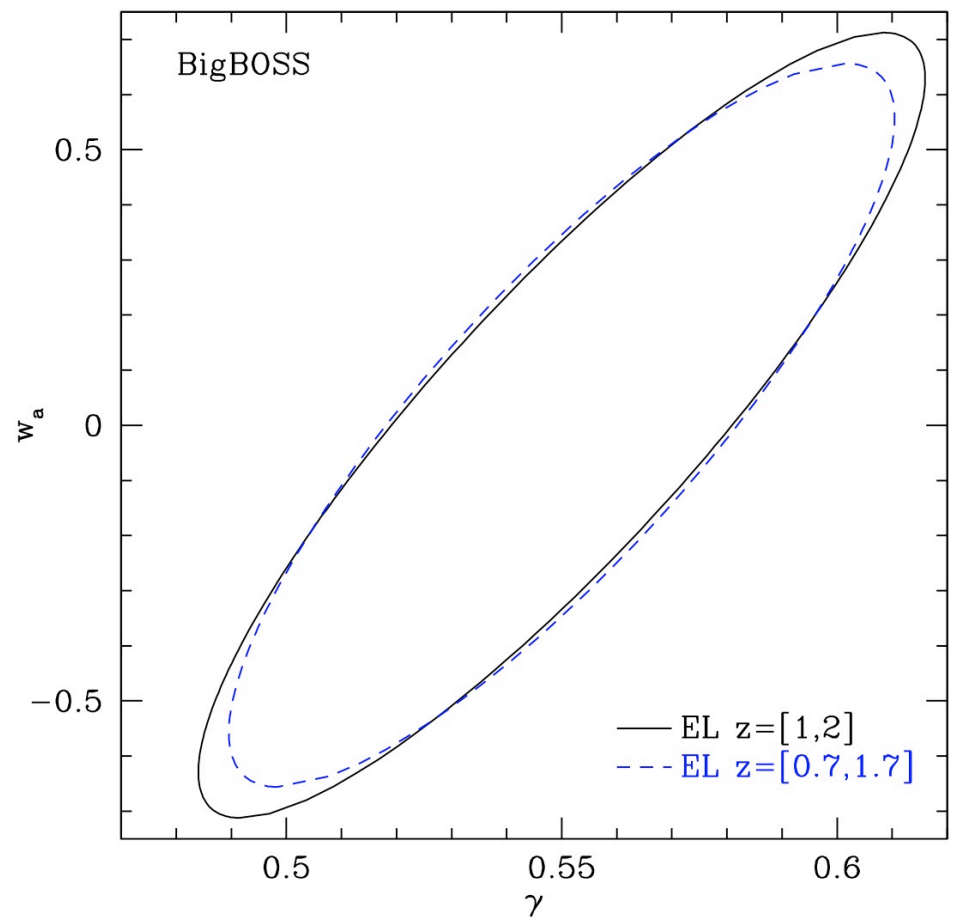
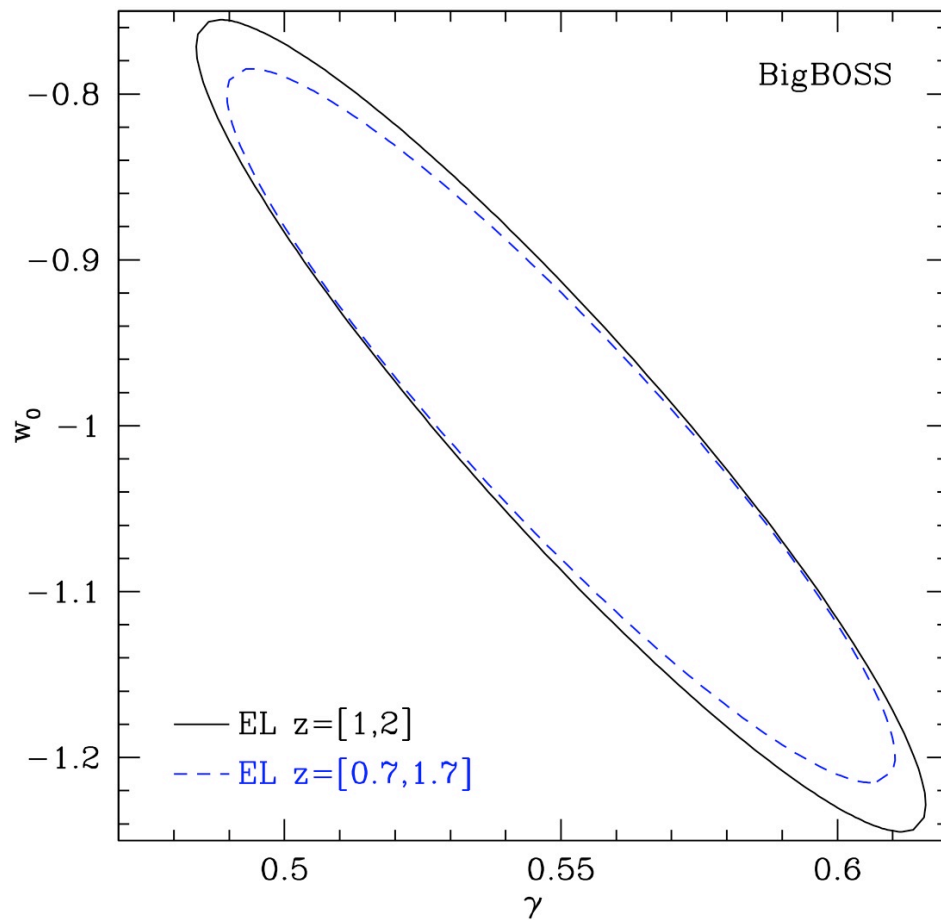
Overlap with LRG allows extra gain for higher n .

$z_{EL}=[0.7, 1.7]$ vs. $z_{EL}=[1, 2]$ has $\sigma(\gamma)=0.0398$ vs. 0.0435

w_0-w_a FOM improves by 6%

Redshift Range

$z_{\text{EL}}=[0.7,1.7]$ improves by 9% in γ , w_a and 14% in w_0 .



Number Density



With shifted redshift window giving better S/N
could trade for higher number density.

Trade Study: consider $4 \times n_{\text{ELG}}$ for $z=0.7-1$.

(Motivated by Seljak's sample variance suppression
for $n_P > 1$ with multi-bias sample)

Results: 2-4% further gain on $\sigma(\gamma)$, $\sigma(w_0)$, $\sigma(w_a)$.

However, worth exploring for other n - z combinations
or other ways of using time saved.

Summary



BigBOSS is more than BAO. It provides an excellent test of gravity (γ), and strong complementarity with other dark energy missions.

Very important to simultaneously fit expansion (w_0, w_a), neutrino mass (m_ν), gravity (γ).

As good as space JDEM-PS!
(and this is before including BigBOSS' $\text{Ly}\alpha$ data).

Redshift range $z=0.2-1.7$ very strong, retires risk and cost.

Ready for detailed trades on galaxy number density and redshift.